

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Tuesday, January 24, 2006 9:00 a.m. Room 307 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative LaJoy, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Murphy, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland.

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Casperson, Hood III.

Representative Gosselin made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of December 13, 2005, supported by Representative Wenke. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

The Chair laid HB 5494 before the Committee.

HB 5494 Pavlov Transportation; school vehicles; pupil transportation act; modify.

Representative Pavlov spoke to the Committee regarding the provisions of HB 5494. Howard (Mac) Dashney, representing the Pupil Transportation Advisory Board (MDE), and Matthew Losch, representing the Grand Ledge Public Schools Public Transportation Advisory Committee, were present with Representative Pavlov to indicate support for the bill and answer questions.

Lt. David Ford, representing the Michigan State Police (MSP), spoke in support of HB 5494.

Cards for HB 5494 were submitted by:

Jeremy Hendges, representing Senator Allen, in support

Dwight Sinila, representing the Michigan Department of Education, in support

Sgt. Matt Bolger, representing the MSP, in support

Sharron Van Campen, representing the MSP, in support

The Chair laid HB 5560 before the Committee.

HB 5560 Kooiman Transportation; other; public transit authority; allow taxes to be levied up to 25 years.

Representative Kooiman spoke to the Committee regarding the provisions of HB 5560 and answered questions for Committee members.

Annette Guilfoyle, representing the City of Grand Rapids, spoke in support of HB 5560.

Jennifer Kalczak, representing The Rapid, spoke in support of HB 5560.

Brad Williams, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), spoke in opposition to HB 5560.

Jody Vanderveen, representing SEMCOG, spoke in opposition to HB 5560.

Kara Williams, representing the Second Baptist Church, spoke in opposition to HB 5560.

Albert Martin, representing MOSES, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Cards for HB 5560 were submitted by:

Brad Comment, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, in opposition
Ben Stupka, representing the Michigan Environmental Council, in opposition
Sarah Hubbard, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber, in opposition
Megan Owens, representing the Transit Riders United, in opposition

Representative Pearce made a motion to report HB 5560 with recommendation, supported by Representative Meyer.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce. (9/15)

Nays: Representatives Anderson, Byrnes, Murphy, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland. (6/15)

Pass: None. (0/15) (9/6/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Committee returned to consideration of HB 5494.

Representative Moore made a motion to adopt HB 5494 (H-1), supported by Representative David Law.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Murphy, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland. (15/15)

Nays: None. (0/15)

Pass: None. (0/15) (15/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Pavlov made a motion to report HB 5494 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Pearce.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Murphy, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland. (15/15)

Nays: None. (0/15)

Pass: None. (0/15) (15/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Byrnes made a motion to excuse absent members, supported by Representative Anderson. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair LaJoy declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:35 a.m.

Representative Philip LaJoy, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk
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